

*****DON'T MISS THIS!*****

January 5, 2004

Dear Parents of Middle School Religious Education Students:

I encourage you to attend a Parents Only Evening ? " **Talking With Your Child about Sex,**" presentation on **Sunday Jan. 11th from 6:30pm- 8:30pm in** (see outline on reverse side.) Our special guest speaker, Mary Lee O'Connell, is a Catholic nurse by profession who has spoken many times in the Archdiocese of Washington D.C.

She will not only address the topic but provide helpful answers to your specific questions.

Please feel free to invite any of your adult friends who could benefit from this talk no matter if they have youth in Middle School or not. Other parishes have been invited so get there early to get the best seat.

Note: Mary Lee will be back at other times -see enclosed flyer- to speak to the youth.

Thanks for your time and I hope you can make this valuable presentation!

The responses below are from a survey was done on Dec. 21, 2003 w/ Religious Education Middle School youth. They were asked to write an anonymous question in response to the question, "If you could write a question about human sexuality what would it be?"

JR HIGH SEXUALITY SURVEY

6th GRADERS ASKED:

Why do women grow faster and different than boys?

What age for girls to start their period?

What is sexuality?

When is it ok to sexually indulge?

When do people usually start puberty?

What is sex?

7TH GRADERS AKED:

Why do we have to go over this?

Why is this important?

Why do people want to go through so much pain?

Is masturbation really sexual immoral?

What is it like to have sex?

Why can't minors be sexual?

What are some ways to help people that have been sexually active?

8th GRADERS ASKED:

What is the safest form of birth control?

Why do people have babies?

What do boys think when they hit girls?

When should I have sex?

What is the best age to have a baby?

Is it against the bible to have sex?

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